An ACCOUNT OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGANST THE REBELS, AT DORCHESTER

In the County of DORSET;

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Holden there on *Friday* and *Saturday* the 4*th.* and 5*th.* Days of this Inſtant *September*, 1685. Where to the Number of *Ninty Eight* Perſons were brought to be Tryed: *Sixty Eight* Confeſſing the Fact upon their Arraignment; and the other *Thirty* Pleaded Not Guilty to Their Indictment; and upon their Tryals *Twenty Nine* was fouud Guilty, and *One* Acquitted.

UPon the Victory, that it pleaſed God to give His Majeſty's Forces over the Rebels in the *Weſt*, near *Bridgwater*, upon the 6*th.* of *July* laſt paſt; a conſiderable Number of Priſoners, then, and afterwards taken- were ſecured in divers Priſons, in order to their being brought to Juſtice.

The Keeper of *Newgate* had Order to carry down into the *Weſt*,

Sampſon Lark	*Samuel Gliſton*
Chriſto. Batiscomb	*John Jones*
William Hewling.	*John Kidd*
Leonard Jackſon	*John Hays*
John Smith	*Abraham Holms*, &c.

And from the *Gate-Houſe Weſtminſter*,

John Marder	*Joſia Askue.*

Were all carried down ſtrongly Guarded, and diſpoſed of in ſeveral Goals, till they could be brought upon their Tryals, for their Traytorous and Unnatural Rebellion; where on the 4*th.* and 5*th*, of *September*

tember at *Dorcheſter* in the County of *Dorſet*, there were Arraigned of that Country, upon ſeveral Indictments,

Edward Lowther
Joſeph ſtrong
John Down
Richard Dammer
Benjamin Crow
John Butcher
Thomas Gammage
Thomas Bennet
Stephen Cook
James Fiſher
Robert Lumbard
John Manning
William Watsford
George Plumrys
Richard Keeld
Thomas Aller
John Speering
John Reaſon
Mathew Porter
John Bull
Robert Bull
John Sprake
John Edwards
John Hardeman
Nathaniel Swayfield
Abel Prinell
John Leverage
Robert Sperway
Peter Row
Robert Fawn
John Beamont Sen.
John Beamont Ju.
Elias Stephens
Daniel Parker
John Bridle
Thomas Perſons
Thomas Fort
Nicholas Parmsr
John Bevis
Thomas Williams
Mathew Hutchins
Nicholas Sueth
Bernard Bryant
Benjamin Sneford
JohnMinnifee
Raymond Clotworthy
John Lee
John Qnintine
Thomas Clap
Thomas Cook
John White
George Collier
James Pomray
Robert Slate
Thomas Hear:

Who being ſeverally asked if Guilty or not Guilty; they pleaded Guilty to the Indictment, as knowing there was plain and poſſitive Proof againſt them, they having been Actually in the Rebellion: Moſt of them taken on the place. When upon the like Indictment of High-Treaſon, were Arraigned.

Thomas England
Benjamen Gay
John Foar otherwiſe Foard
Francis Burcot
William Camden
John Lockey
Thomas Smith
John Gardner
William Laſh
Henry Ford
John Gaine
Joſeph Speed
George Steward
John Sterrick
Samuel Gaule
Robert White
John Woodward
William Sellwood
Thomas Shinler
Phillip Levermore
Mathew Elliot
Robert Ginney
John James
John Wills
Bartholomew Barge
Thomas Weld
Edward Wale
Samuel Hilliard
Mathew Brags and
William Saunders

Theſe pleading not Guilty, put themſelves for their Tryal upon God and their Country; the Jurors all able ſubſtantial men, being charged with them to try the Iſſue: The Indictments were read a ſecond time, and the Witneſſes produced, who proved the Treaſon plain againſt all but *Saunders* who was acquitted: Moſt of them appearing to have been taken in the immediate purſuit, and the Remainder known to be concerned in that Rebellion by good and credible Teſtimony, whereupon having nothing material to offer in their own Defence, that being moſtly made up of trivial Excuſes and endeavoured Evaſions; they after a fair hearing, were ſeverally found Guilty by thoſe Perſons, on whom they had put themſelves for Tryal, to the Number of Twenty Nine, and thereupon received Sentence of Death, as Rebels and Traytors againſt His Moſt Sacred Majeſty, and were accordingly ordered to be Executed as ſuch, on the *7th.* Inſtant.

The other Sixty Eight Confeſſed their Indictmnets, remaining at that time to receive Judgment.

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